

and has presented on technology issues for ACSA, The California League of Middle Schools, CSBA, and the National Middle School Association. He is a past President of the California League of Middle Schools and has received numerous awards, including the 2008 Ferd Kiesel Award from ACSA, their highest statewide recognition. Dr. Price and his district were featured in the American Executive—July 2010 issue as one of 30 school districts in the nation thriving during tough fiscal times.

He has been married to Sally for 37 years. Bob and Sally have two children, Geoffrey, 31, and Caitlin, 29. Geoffrey is a sound engineer living in San Francisco, and Caitlin is a graduate Ph.D. student at U.C. Berkeley.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and commending Dr. Robert Price, Empire Union School District Superintendent, for his numerous years of selfless service to the betterment of our community.

IN MEMORY OF KRYSTLE
CAMPBELL

HON. EDWARD J. MARKEY

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. MARKEY. Mr. Speaker, Krystle Campbell, a resident of Arlington and graduate of Medford High School, lost her life at the Boston Marathon finish line doing what she loved to do: support other people. She was 29 years old, just a few weeks from her 30th birthday, with a lifetime of helping more people ahead of her.

Krystle's annual pilgrimage to the marathon finish represented who she was, says her family. When people needed support, Krystle was there. When her grandmother needed help following surgery, Krystle moved in with her for two years to help her recover.

Krystle's smile, hard work, and constant happy demeanor is what her family and friends will miss. But most of all, they will miss what she was always known for: being there when you needed her, being a joyful, active participant in the lives of her family and friends.

In our grief, we know that Krystle is still there, still cheering all of us on, still there in our hearts. Today we honor her memory and the joy she brought to so many lives.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF
JARED KOBYSKI ON HIS OF-
FERS OF APPOINTMENT TO AT-
TEND THE UNITED STATES MILI-
TARY ACADEMY AND THE
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Jared Kobyski of Bowling Green, Ohio has been offered appointments to the United

States Military Academy in West Point, New York and the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Jared has accepted the offer to attend the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York.

Jared's offer of appointment poises him to attend the United States Military Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2017. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country but also guarantees a world-class education, while placing demands on those who undertake one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Jared brings an enormous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2017. While attending Bowling Green Senior High School in Bowling Green, Ohio, Jared was on the Honor Roll and was a member of the National Honor Society.

Throughout high school, Jared was a member of his school's cross country and track and field teams and earned varsity letters in both sports. In addition, Jared was a Senior Patrol Guide and a member of the Royal Rangers. I am confident that Jared will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Military Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Jared Kobyski on the acceptance of his appointment to the United States Military Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Jared will excel during his career at the Military Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to the Nation.

THE OCCASION OF THE DEDICA-
TION OF GABRIEL ZIMMERMAN
ROOM

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the legacy of Gabriel "Gabe" Zimmerman, a young man devoted to community service, and the great democratic principles upon which our government stands.

Gabriel Zimmerman was murdered on January 8, 2011, struck down in the prime of life at the young age of 31. He was one of several persons killed or wounded during the mass shooting in Arizona that so seriously injured our colleague, former U.S. Congresswoman Gabby Giffords. Gabe Zimmerman is the first congressional staffer to be killed in the line of duty.

As the Community Outreach Director for Congresswoman Giffords, Gabe organized the "Congress at Your Corner," at a supermarket in Tucson, Arizona, where the mass shooting took place.

Colleagues remember him as someone who would go out of his way to help people in trouble, who attentively listened to the concerns of constituents, and who had a real gift for working with people.

I rise today not only to commemorate Gabe Zimmerman but to speak out against the scourge of gun violence our nation faces.

We have all been shaken by tragic events in recent days and years involving gun violence.

Whether these events occurred in Newtown, Connecticut; Aurora, Colorado; Tucson, Arizona; or on the streets of Chicago, gun violence is a critical issue that we need to effectively address immediately. Urban, suburban, or rural—no region or community is immune to danger of gun violence.

While the nation's attention has often been drawn toward some of the more high-profile events, the broader statistics are disturbing, demonstrating a real need to address how we protect our nation's children from gun violence. Consider these facts:

Every 30 minutes, a child or teenager in America dies or is injured by a gun.

Every 3 hours and 15 minutes, a child or teenager loses their life to a firearm.

In 2010, 82 children under 5 years of age lost their lives due to guns.

To put that in perspective, 58 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty that year.

In light of recent tragedies, the American people are demanding action. One thing we can do immediately to reduce the incidence of gun violence is to pass H.R. 65, the Child Gun Safety and Gun Access Prevention Act of 2013, legislation I introduced to protect our nation's children from gun violence and accidents.

H.R. 65 will prohibit persons under the age of 21 from possessing semiautomatic assault weapons or large capacity magazines.

Moreover, H.R. 65 increases penalties on individuals who knowingly transfer a handgun, ammunition, semiautomatic assault weapon, or large capacity ammunition feeding device to a person under age 21.

In addition, H.R. 65 will also prohibit importers, manufacturers, and dealers from transferring firearms without providing the purchaser with a gun storage or safety device.

Finally, H.R. 65 authorizes the U.S. Attorney General to provide grants to enable local law enforcement agencies to develop and sponsor gun safety classes for parents and children.

These provisions, and others, can go a long way toward making our homes, schools, and streets safer for children across this country.

Mr. Speaker, we may not be able to prevent every gun-related tragedy from occurring in the future, but we have a responsibility to implement reasonable standards that will prevent the loss of innocent lives.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
STEPHEN COATS

HON. JANICE D. SCHAKOWSKY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Stephen Coats, a great friend, tremendous leader, and tireless champion for working people throughout the world.

Throughout his life, Stephen was driven by his unwavering commitment to social justice. From his years as political advocacy director for Bread for the World, where he fought global poverty, to his work at the US/Guatemala Education Project (US/GLEP) in the 1990s, where he worked to insert language to protect worker rights, Stephen's work emphasized our common humanity and international solidarity.

After US/GLEP broadened to become the U.S. Labor Education in the Americas Project

(USLEAP), Stephen served as Executive Director, working to protect the rights of working people across Latin America. His work has been enormously influential on U.S. policy toward Guatemala, Colombia, Honduras, and Mexico. He gave workers throughout Latin America a voice in Washington. By bringing delegations of workers to Congress, most recently a representative from Colombia who came to my office, he presented a powerful and personal call for justice, putting a human face on the need for action.

Stephen touched many lives through his work for worker justice, including mine. He recognized the dignity of work and the need to provide fair and respectful treatment for working men and women throughout the world, but particularly in Central America. He called on all of us to care for each other and to commit ourselves to improving the lives of people who we may never meet but who deserve our attention. Stephen was a real leader but, more importantly, he made leaders of others.

We are still reeling from Stephen's loss—but we are also even more committed to following his legacy. My heart and my prayers go out to his loving wife, Kim, herself a faithful champion of working families, his sons Eric and Benjamin, and to the rest of his family and his multitude of friends.

HONORING MANUEL LOPEZ

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor Mr. Manuel Lopez, San Joaquin County Administrator, who retired after more than 25 years of outstanding service to our county.

Manuel was born in Pacoima (Los Angeles County) and was raised in Selma (Fresno County). After graduating from Selma high school, Manuel joined the Air Force for four years. Immediately after he was discharged, he worked for the California Department of Water Resources but left the job to attend Fresno City College on the G.I. Bill, where he subsequently earned a Civil Engineering degree from Fresno State. While attending Fresno State, he was involved with a group of students associated with the Fresno area "War on Poverty" and was a member of the student chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Manuel's first professional job was with Tulare County, and then the City of Fresno, where he ultimately became the Deputy City Engineer.

Shortly after he started working at the City of Fresno, Manuel, together with several friends, started The Del Rey Y's Men Club in Del Rey, California—a branch of the National YMCA. The Club mentored boys from 12 to 18 years of age on how to act responsibly and how to be involved in the community.

Manuel and his wife, Sylvia, moved to Ripon in San Joaquin County in 1985, when he was appointed the Assistant Public Works Director. He concurrently served as the Interim City of Lathrop Engineer, when the City was formed in 1989. From 1991 to 1998, he served on the City of Ripon Economic Development Committee, twice as Chairman. In 1999, he served as President of the Sacramento Chapter of the

American Public Works Association. Subsequently, in March 2000, Manuel was appointed the County Public Works Director. Just as he started to enjoy that role, in July 2001, the Board of Supervisors appointed him as the interim County Administrator and appointed him on a permanent basis in November. His nearly 12 years in this position is longer than any of his predecessors.

Over the years, Manuel has been recognized for serving on the following associations and organizations: American Public Works Association, where he served as the Sacramento Chapter President in 1999; County Engineer's Association of California (CEAC); County Administrative Officers Association of California (CAOAC); Ripon Economic Development Committee, where he served as Chairman in 1993; San Joaquin Engineer's Council; Chairman San Joaquin March of Dimes Fund Drive; and the San Joaquin County Historical Society.

Manuel and Sylvia have been married for 38 years and have four adult children and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and commending San Joaquin County Administrator Mr. Manuel Lopez after numerous years of selfless service to the betterment of our community.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF NATHAN DOWNS ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Nathan Downs of Bowling Green, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, New York.

Nathan's offer of appointment poises him to attend the United States Merchant Marine Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2017. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country but also guarantees a world-class education, while placing demands on those who undertake one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Nathan brings an enormous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2017. While attending Otsego High School in Tontogany, Ohio, Nathan was president of the Student Council and vice-president of Otsego's chapter of the National Honor Society.

Throughout high school, Nathan was a member of his school's football, basketball, and baseball teams; earned varsity letters in those sports, as well as being nominated team captain for the baseball and football teams. In addition, Nathan volunteered his time to his community by volunteering for youth sport camps. I am confident that Nathan will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Merchant Marine Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Nathan Downs on the offer of his appointment to the United States Merchant Marine Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available. I am positive that Nathan will excel during his career at the Merchant Marine Academy, and I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to the Nation.

IN RECOGNITION OF MAGGIE MORGAN BEING AWARDED THE TAYLOR MEDAL

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask for the House's attention today to recognize Miss Maggie Morgan, who on April 11th received a Taylor Medal from the University of Mississippi.

Maggie is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Gary H. Morgan. She attended The Donoho School in Anniston, Alabama. After graduating in 2009, she went on to attend the University of Mississippi, and this May, she will graduate as an Honors Scholar with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Forensic Chemistry.

During her time at the University of Mississippi, Maggie has set a standard of excellence in her academics. The Taylor Medal, which she was awarded, is the highest academic honor awarded by the University of Mississippi. To be eligible for this award, a student must have a grade point average of 3.9 or higher and exhibit exceptional scholarship in one field of study combined with superior academic work in all other subjects.

Upon her graduation from the University of Mississippi, Maggie plans to attend the University of Alabama School of Medicine.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Maggie on her academic achievements and wishing her luck in all of her future endeavors.

SPRINGFIELD HISTORY MUSEUM
ON THE SQUARE

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 23, 2013

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Springfield Missouri's "History Museum on the Square."

The new History Museum on the Square encompasses several historic buildings that are being renovated to offer the community state-of-the-art exhibits in over 55,000 square feet, including the historic Fox Theatre. The museum houses a collection of over 100,000 artifacts, including 40,000 historic photographs.

The artifacts and exhibits showcase Springfield's prominent past, which includes the Battle of Wilson's Creek, a shootout in the town square involving Wild Bill Hickok, and the development of Route 66 through the heart of the city.

The new exhibit that opens on April 28 features "Woodruff's Dream: The Mother Road